

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

1-4. (Canceled)

5. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim [[4]] 15, wherein said ophthalmic composition contains about 0.03% of FK506.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim [[1]] 15, wherein said ophthalmic composition is an eye drop.

8. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 7, wherein said eye drop further comprises a polyvinyl alcohol.

9. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 7, wherein said eye drop contains about 0.03% of FK506.

10. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 7, wherein said eye drop is administered from about one to about four times per day.

11-13. (Canceled)

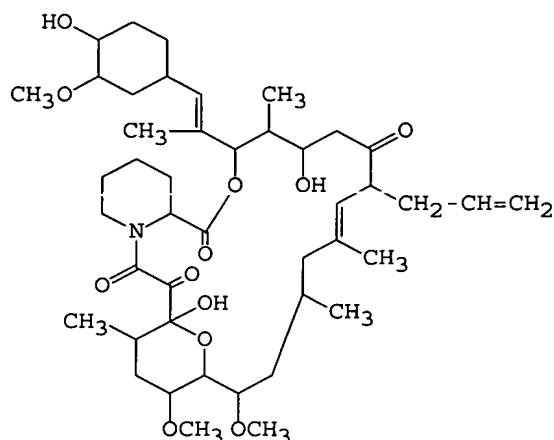
15. (Currently Amended) A method for treating a human patient suffering from dry eye, comprising:

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16. (Currently Amended) A method of treating a human patient suffering from an ocular surface damage associated with dry eye, said method comprising:

to about 0.06 ~~0.1~~% of FK506 represented by the following structure



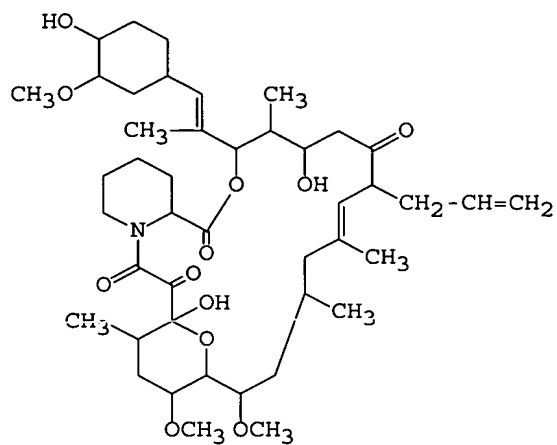
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of at least two.

17. (Canceled).

ocular discomfort associated with dry eye, said method comprising:

to about 0.06 ~~0.1~~% of FK506 represented by the following structure



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wherein prior to treatment the patient has a superficial punctate keratitis (SPK) score of at least two.

19-24. (Canceled)

BASIS FOR THE AMENDMENT

Claims 1, 2, 4, 12, 17 and 19-24 have been canceled. The limitations of Claims 20-24 have been included in Claims 15, 16 and 18.

No new matter is believed to have been added by entry of this amendment. Entry and favorable reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Upon entry of this amendment Claims 5, 7-10, 14-16 and 18 will now be active in this application.